

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 3090 without my signature.

I agree with the author's intent to clarify the use of initiatives with regard to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). However, the Secretary of Resources has already finalized the adoption of revisions to the CEQA Guidelines that include the court case referenced in this bill; therefore it is already a moot issue. If adopted, this bill will then cost additional taxpayer dollars to remove this obsolete provision in follow-up legislation.

This bill would require, on or before July 1, 2006, the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) to recommend proposed changes, and the Secretary of the Resources Agency (Resources) to certify and adopt, revisions to OPR's CEQA Guidelines in order to reflect the California Supreme Court's holding as specified.

For these reasons I am returning this measure without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger